## Learn about our Indiana natural resources

The Indiana Master Naturalist (IMN) program is designed to provide adults with an understanding of Indiana's natural resources.

LaGrange County's program in particular will present information about natural resources pertinent to LaGrange County and the surrounding area. Participants will enjoy learning from knowledgeable instructors at various scenic locations.

Receive your Hoosier Riverwatch Basic Certification. Gaze through a telescope while you study the fall night sky. Discover the importance of the fall equinox just four days after it happens. Wonder at the beauty and color of the autumn foliage as you learn to identify various trees. Enjoy the sights & sounds of the birds at Dallas Lake Park Lodge as you become skilled at their identification. Study things that buzz, fly, flutter, roam, ramble and crawl (and how to attract them to your property). These things and many more will await you at the LaGrange County's Indiana Master Naturalist Course.

This program is coordinated in LaGrange County but is open to anyone who wishes to participate. Come join the fun!

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## LAGRANGE **COUNTY'S** 2006 INDIANA MASTER **NATURALIST PROGRAM**



## 2006 CLASS SCHEDULE\*\*:

**Saturday, September 2, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.** – Orientation (at Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center)

Saturday, September 9, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Geology & Soils (at MapleWood Nature Center)

Saturday, September 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Trees & Wildflowers (at MapleWood Nature Center)

Tuesday, September 26, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Astronomy – Star Watching / Constellations / Earth Tilt & Seasons (at Dallas Lake Park Lodge)

Saturday, September 30, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.- Aldo Leopold Project Workshop (at Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center)

Tuesday, October 3, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Insects (at MapleWood Nature Center)

Tuesday, October 10, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Birds (at Dallas Lake Park Lodge)

Saturday, October 14, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Hoosier Riverwatch Basic Certification (at Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center) (bring a sack lunch)

Tuesday, October 17, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Warm season Grasses, Fire Ecology & Backyard Conservation (at Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center)

BONUS DAY! – Saturday, October 21 – 9:00 a.m. – TBA- workshop that will include a session on Bats - Building a bat or bird house – Wild Edibles. We will have a pot-luck lunch—bring a favorite dish to share (at Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center)

Saturday, October 28, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Final Exam – (Par-Gil Natural Resources Learning Center)

\*\*This Schedule is confirmed, but subject to change should circumstances require it.

Class size will be limited to 30. The fee for this program will be \$110. Fee must be included with registration form in order to be accepted in the class. This will include field guides, all handout materials, bonus class fees & refreshments. Students will be responsible for their own travel costs. If you need further information on this program, contact Julie Diehm at LaGrange County Soil and Water Conservation District office (260)463-5200 ext. 3 or julie.diehm@in.nacdnet.net

For more information on Indiana Master Naturalist program, visit the website at http://www.in.gov/dnr/master naturalist/.